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DOCKET
NO. 2007-326-C

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ORDER NO. N/A

HEARING OFFICER: **B. Randall Dong**

DOCKET DESCRIPTION:

In re: FLATEL, Inc. v. Verizon South, Inc.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Motion to Dismiss of Verizon South, Inc.

HEARING OFFICER ACTION:

Verizon South, Inc. has moved to dismiss the complaint of FLATEL, Inc., alleging that (1) the complaint is not signed by a South Carolina attorney and otherwise does not comply with the Commission's pleading requirements; and (2) FLATEL has failed to comply with the dispute resolution process set forth in the parties' interconnection agreement.

No attorney licensed in South Carolina has made an appearance in this matter. However, in the judgment and discretion of the Hearing Officer, it would serve judicial economy and conserve Commission resources to hold this motion in abeyance for a period of 30 days from the issuance of this Hearing Officer Directive in order to allow FLATEL ample opportunity to retain South Carolina counsel and to respond properly to Verizon's motion to dismiss. The Hearing Officer therefore directs that this matter be held in abeyance for a period of thirty days from the issuance of this Hearing Officer Directive, and that FLATEL act expeditiously to secure South Carolina counsel to respond to the present motion.